**Amendments to the Claims**:

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1.      (Currently Amended) A device configuring method for configuring a plurality of devices of various kinds by a second device and an information processing apparatus ~~in which~~ which is connected to the devices via a communication network, the method comprising:

acquiring from a first device both model information of the first device and identification information specific to the first device by the information processing apparatus;

acquiring from the first device configuration information of the first device by the information processing apparatus;

storing the acquired configuration information in a status correlated with both the model information and the identification information of the first device;

acquiring one or more data packets from ~~a second~~ the second device, the one or more data packets containing both model information of the second device and identification information specific to the second device by the information processing apparatus, the acquiring from the second device occurring automatically in response to the second device reaching a state in which the second device is both connected to the information processing apparatus and turned on;

automatically causing, in response to the acquiring from the second device, the information processing apparatus or the second device to determine whether or not the model information of the first device and the model information of the second device in the one or more data packets coincide with each other;

transmitting, when determined that the model information of the first device and the model information of the second device coincide with each other, the stored

configuration information of the first device from the information processing apparatus to the second device; and

configuring the second device in accordance with the transmitted configuration information.

2.      (Currently Amended)  A device configuring system comprising:

a plurality of devices of various kinds including a second device; and

an information processing apparatus in which connected to the devices via a communication network,

wherein the information processing apparatus comprises:

a first acquiring unit configured to acquire from a first device both model information of the first device and identification information specific to the first device;

a configuration information acquiring unit configured to acquire from the first device configuration information of the first device;

a storing unit configured to store the acquired configuration information in a status correlated with both the model information and the identification information of the first device;

a second acquiring unit configured to acquire one or more data packets from a second the second device, the one or more data packets containing both model information of the second device and identification information specific to the second device;

a determining unit configured to determine, in automatic response to the acquiring from the second device, whether or not the model information of the first device and the model information of the second device in the one or more data packets coincide with each other; and

a transmitting unit configured to transmit, when determined that the model information of the first device and the model information of the second device coincide with each other, the stored configuration information of the first device to the second device,

the second device comprising a transmitting unit configured to automatically transmit the model information of the second device and identification information specific to the second device in response to the second device reaching a state in which the second device is both connected to the information processing apparatus and turned on,

_____wherein the second device comprises a configuring unit configured to perform a configuration thereof in accordance with the transmitted configuration information.

3.      (Original)  The device configuring system as claimed in claim 2, wherein the second device further comprises a completion information transmitting unit configured to transmit, after the configuration is completed, completion information that indicates the completion of the configuration to the information processing apparatus.

4.      (Original)  The device configuring system as claimed in claim 2, wherein the information processing apparatus further comprises an editing unit configured to edit the configuration information,

wherein the storing unit is further configured to store the edited configuration information, and

wherein the transmitting unit is configured to transmit the edited configuration information as the configuration information to the second device.

5.      (Original)  The device configuring system as claimed in claim 2, wherein the identification comprises an MAC address of the device.

6.      (Currently Amended)  A device configuring system comprising:

a plurality of devices of various kinds; and

an information processing apparatus in which connected to the devices via a

communication network,

wherein the information processing apparatus comprises:

a first acquiring unit configured to acquire from a first device model information of the first device;

a configuration information acquiring unit configured to acquire from the first device configuration information of the first device;

a storing unit configured to store the acquired configuration information in a status correlated with the model information of the first device; and

a transmitting unit configured to automatically transmit one or more data packets, the data packets containing the stored configuration information of the first device together with the correlated model information to a second device in response to the second device reaching a state in which the second device is both connected to the information processing apparatus and turned on,

wherein the second device comprises:

a determining unit configured to determine, in automatic response to receiving the transmitted model information, whether or not the transmitted model information of the first device coincides with a previously stored model information thereof; and

a configuring unit configured to perform a configuration thereof in accordance with the transmitted configuration information in a case where determined that the transmitted model information and the previously stored model information coincide each other.

7.    (Currently Amended)  A device configuring system comprisingAn information an information processing apparatus for configuring a plurality of devices of various kinds that are connected thereto via a communication network, and a second device,

_____ the information processing apparatus comprising:

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_____a first acquiring unit configured to acquire from a first device both model information of the first device and identification information specific to the first device;

_____a configuration information acquiring unit configured to acquire from the first device configuration information of the first device;

_____a storing unit configured to store the acquired configuration information in a status correlated with both the model information and the identification information of the first device;

_____a second acquiring unit configured to acquire one or more data packets from a second the second device, the one or more data packets containing both model information of the second device and identification information specific to the second device;

_____a determining unit configured to determine, in automatic response to the acquiring from the second device, whether or not the model information of the first device and the model information of the second device in the one or more data packets coincide with each other; and

_____a transmitting unit configured to transmit, when determined that the model information of the first device and the model information of the second device coincide with each other, the stored configuration information of the first device to the second device. device, and

_____the second device comprising:

_____a transmitting unit configured to automatically transmit the model information of the second device and identification information specific to the second device in response to the second device reaching a state in which the second device is both connected to the information processing apparatus and turned on

8.     (Currently Amended)  A computer readable medium storing a program causing a computer system to execute a process for configuring a plurality of devices of various kinds that are connected thereto via a communication network, the process comprising:

acquiring, from a first device, model information of the first device, identification information specific to the first device, and configuration information of the first device;

storing the acquired configuration information in a status correlated with both the model information and the identification information of the first device;

acquiring one or more data packets from a second device, the one or more data packets containing both model information of the second device and identification information specific to the second device, the acquiring from the second device occurring automatically in response to the second device reaching a state in which the second device is both connected to the information processing apparatus and turned on;

automatically causing, in response to the acquiring from the second device, the information processing apparatus or the second device to determine whether or not the model information of the first device and the model information of the second device in the one or more data packets coincide with each other; and

transmitting, when determined that the model information of the first device and the model information of the second device coincide with each other, the stored configuration information of the first device to the second device.